GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:494
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LNG PROJECT AT KOCHI
P.C. THOMAS;T. GOVINDAN

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Kerala has urged Union Government to expedite completion of LNG Project at Kochi;

(b) if so, the stage at which the proposal stands; and

(c) the time by which the proposal is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) Petronet LNG Limitedare setting up 2.5 MMTPA capacity LNG terminal at Kochi at KeralaMost of the pre-project activities, statutory approvals/clearances except environment clearance have been obtained, pre-qualification of Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) bidders for lumpsum turnkey contract completed. The time-frame for completion of Kochi project would depend on market tie-up for the regasifed LNG.